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Waste Exploration and Categorizing using AI and Image Processing

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Abstract: Waste supervision and its categorization took place a key awareness in progressed and pro- gressing countries to retain the sustainable environ- ment accompanied by the existent technology aids. The waste handling and its categorization system operation includes many complicated actions. Advance- ments in existent technologies. Artificial intelligence and image processing many more are providing its analytical assistance to segregate the several classes of waste for future processes. In recent days great researching is in progress and progressing good results to sort out the problems in waste management system to retain the eco- friendly environment. Exercising a contemplating literature on waste super- vision and its categorization revealing that in deep learning domain artificial intelligence equipped with image processing committing good results to procure the sustainable environment. Grounding on artificial intelligence and image pro- cessing technologies. This project captures the images of different types of wastes collected in garbage, upon the type garbage waste, captured as an image, then progressing this data to find and categorize into their cluster and placed into e- bins.

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1 Introduction

On presenting research on wastages probably 2 billion tons of wastages practically bio-degradable, non-bio- degradable and e-waste etc.., are certain categories and fer- mented to comport bio-methanation to recycling sta- tion.[1] Wastages are sent to plants, bio-degradable burning mechanism is used to destroy the waste.[2] Re-cy- cling wastages used for producing human essentials namely potential roads by using plastic. The following few benefits of segregation of wastes like organic, recyclable, electronic- Waste at bottom level:[3]

1) Reducing the time for collecting the wastages.
2) Reducing manual power and economically.
3) Reducing the segregation units.

irregular waste management is a major problem in present days, biodegradable waste primarily causes health issues if not handled properly. [4] Environmental problems such as polluted air, natural disaster, harms to wildlife and it led to release methane gas, if it is decomposed under anaerobic conditions etc. [5] Improper management of waste can be impact on the economic, public health and environmental impacts. Recycling is a crucial activity in waste management, that brings out sustaining an eco-friendly envi- ronment.[6] It makes infeasible to monitor the segregation of waste bins manually. Pi- oneering technologies used to identify the type of bins and volume of bins with the aid of sensors communication. [7] Now-a-days developing countries are all using large number of human labors power to segregate of waste but which is inefficient, time taken process, and inaccurate. In developed countries advanced technologies are used to seg- regation waste, one of the most popular technologies is image based. It can identify the waste by capturing the image, based on the shape, size and various factories, which is automate, required less time, efficient and accurate, compare to manual process. [8] AI is one of the technologies that is used to segregation of waste, in which is object detection algorithms can help to make in order to reduce the manual effort. [9] This project introduces an intelligent waste classification system which can use YOLO al- gorithm and image processing to classify waste automatically for better efficiency.[10] The main aim of the pro- ject is to maintain less time, accurate, efficient and economi- cally in the form of human force required. In this project we can segregate the waste by capturing the image by using (you only look once) [11] YOLO algorithms to detect the captured image and compared with the data which is available in dataset name as COCONAME dataset it contains 91 different objects finally it can display the output as which type of waste. Based on this image segregation of waste dumped in to different dustbins.[12].

2 Methodology

Majority of the object detection and categorization of waste process management system is processed through the machine learning methods. The machine learning system's analyzed data aids to find the periodic features of the image and categorize their clusters.

2.1 Implementation

The Anaconda Integrated Development Environment is suitable for writing a code, compiling and dump into Arduino boards. It is a unique free and open-source program that deals effortlessly to explore and introduce millenary python programs and provides libraries to enhance. OpenCV (open-source computer vision library) is a massive free license software library for image processing, computer vision and machine learning. It can detect objects and faces, by processing information from images and videos. NumPy is a class of python programming library used to perform high end mathemat- ical functions with arrays. Pandas is a kind of library in the Python programming lan- guage for both manipulation and analysis of the data [13].

2.2 Software Process

Image Capture: This implicates device like camera or smartphones to capture the images.

Identifying: To identifying the images of waste is processed by YOLO (you only look at once) algorithm which can help to categorized. The YOLO algorithm is famous real time object detection algorithm that detect things in an image. This model can be trained on a dataset name as coconame dataset of waste items, including organic, inorganic and e-waste. The final result from YOLO algorithm makes incredibly fast, accuracy and effectively. Steps followed by YOLO algorithm [14]

Griding :Resized the image into a fixed size captured by camera or smartphone and divided into small-scale (S x S) grids called cells. Every cell have a responsibility in detection field.

Bounding box prediction: Each grid cell estimates more than one bounding boxes, that represents the origin of the bounding box, the width and height of the bounding box is in the shape of rectangular. It contains 5 values which are (x, y, w, h, c):

- x, y are the origin coordinates of bounding box.
- w is width, h is height of the bounding box.
- Confidence score C, represents the probability of the bounding box that contains an object. The

confidence score is given by:

$$C = P(O) * IoU_{pred, truth} \quad (1)$$

Where

- P(O) is the probability that an object is present in the cell.
- $IoU_{pred, truth}$ is the Intersection Over Union (IoU) between the predicted and ground truth bounding box.

IoU=Area of Overlap/Area of Union

A higher IoU indicates a better between the predicted and actual bounding boxes.

*Class probability:*Each and every grid cell probability is responsible to detect the object. It gives amount of probability of an object which contained by grid. (for example, grid have possibility of 50% pen and 50% book). Each grid cell also predicts class probabilities for C different classes. The final class score is computed as

$$P(C_i|O) = P(C_i) * C \quad (2)$$

Where

- $P(C_i)$ is the probability of class i.
- C is the confidence score of the bounding box. Thus, for

each bounding box, we get:

$$(x, y, w, h, C, P(C1), P(C2), \ldots\ldots, P(Cc)) \quad (3)$$

The final detection is determined by containing both confidence score and class probability.

Mobile Net algorithm SSD (single shot detector) algorithm is a famous algorithm that was improved by the google Inc, based on YOLOv3 architecture. SSD is simpler and easier. Mobile net algorithm performs a signifi- cant role to process the data in mobile Net architecture as its backbone.[15]**.** SSD processes the image through multiple layers of CNN, SSD uses predefined set of boxes, with different measure to detect objects of different shapes and size.[16] Each predefined box can estimate an object present within the box and type of the object. Final output of SSD model is to display list of detected objects, which is within the coordinates and class label.

2.3 Hardware process

The following Fig.1 is the corresponding block diagram of the Waste Exploration and Categorizing using AI and image processing.

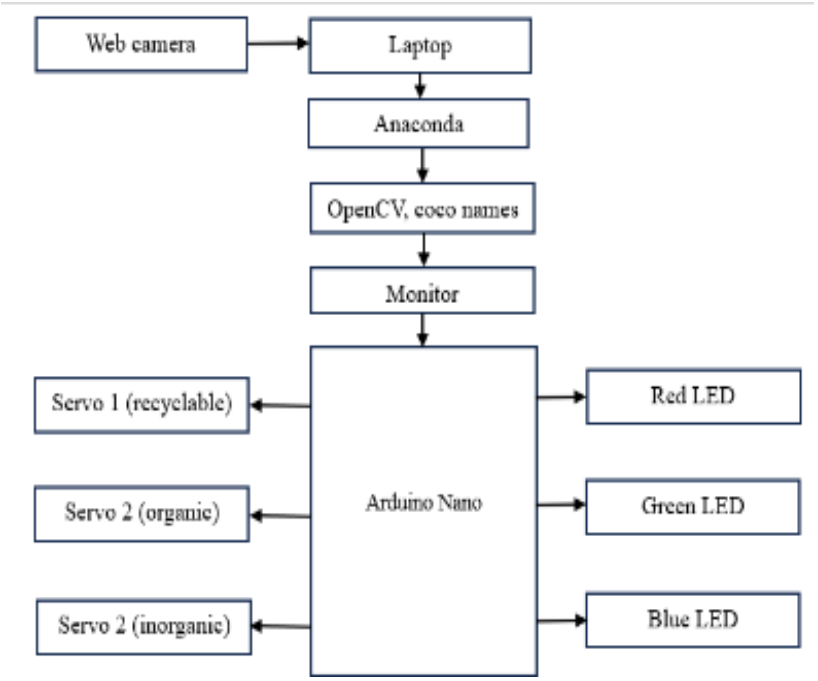
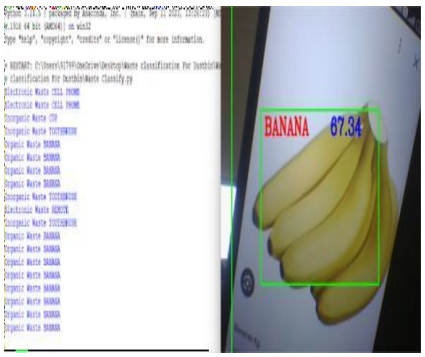


Fig. 1. Block diagram of waste classifier using AI and Image processing

Arduino nano microcontroller receives the command from YOLO algorithm output that is, classified as waste. it can send the corresponding signals to servo motors to open and close the dustbins. LEDs indicates the type of waste. The system is designed to assist needy people all the times upgraded with small and cost effective.

3 Results

When banana is captured as an input by the camera, immediately it detects and the corresponding output is displayed on the monitor as an organic waste item.It can be shown in figure 2 and then respected green bin lid is opened and remaining bins are closed.The green LED bin indicates organic waste,that can be shown in figure 3.



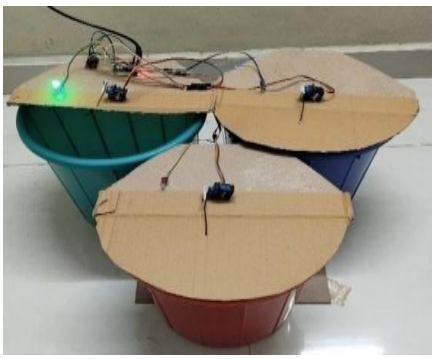


Fig. 2. Image captured by camera(banana) **Fig. 3.** Respected bin open(green)

4 Conclusion

This proposal is an automated waste detection and classification, which represents the use of image processingand AI algorithm techniques. Advancing this project proposal further attains high quality by integrating conveyor belt to drop the automated sorting and waste into respective bins. By maximizing the capacity of data set with modification of data enhances the performance of waste classification. Latest versions of YOLO algorithms booms the advancement to enhance accuracy to this system.

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